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SUBJECT: PRESUMED DEATH OF U.S. CITIZEN RICHARD WARREN THOMPSON

REF: DANANG 1225

1. CONGEN PROVINCE OFFICE QUANG NGAI REPORTS THAT BY THE MORNING OF 24 NOVEMBER, VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES HAVE STILL ONLY EVACUATED 7 BODIES FROM THE CRASH SITE OF AIR VIETNAM FLIGHT VN 341. DIFFICULTIES REFERRED TO IN REFTEL CONTINUE TO HAMPER RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

2. IF THE REMAINS OF THOMPSON ARE RECOVERED AND CAN BE TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED IN QUANG NGAI BEFORE MONDAY, NOV. 26, WE SUGGEST THAT THEY BE SHIPPED TO SAIGON VIA THE PROFFERED FACILITIES OF AIR VIETNAM, PROBABLY IN COMPANY OF QUAKER COLLEAGUE FROM QUANG NGAI, FOR COLD STORAGE UNTIL MARTY TEITEL CAN ARRIVE FROM U.S. IF, AS NOW SEEMS MORE PROBABLE, THE REMAINS ARE NOT RECOVERED BY MONDAY, WE SUGGEST THAT TEITEL COME ON UP TO QUANG NGAI UNTIL THE BODY IS BROUGHT OUT AND POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION IS MADE. FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHIPMENT AND STORAGE IN DANANG OR SAIGON CAN BE MADE AFTER HIS ARRIVAL. PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER EMBASSY CONCURS WITH THESE SUGGESTIONS.

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